Final Evaluation:

Blue

Themes that emerged in Claims:

* American acquisition of the 50 states was more obtaining power and justified through manifest destiny rather than spreading ideals
* American expansion focused on gaining international power while simultaneously promoting ideologies
* Acquisition of land allowed Americans to fulfill the “American Dream”
* New land allowed America to expand American ideals into new lands

Key Events

* Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo- Ended Mexican American war- We acquired part of California, Arizona, New Mexico- addition of new SW territories allowed people to expand out West and new industries and through those new industries it helped create a new life for people (white settlers)
* Louisiana Purchase 1803- Doubled the Size of US
* Annexation of Alaska and Hawaii- Annexation allowed for international power- Democratic ideals spread to other parts of the world
  + Purchased Alaska from Russia- statehood 1959
  + Purchased Hawaii- Queen died US acquired land state 1959